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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.17 (a) (2)

Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests a one-month extension of time in which to respond to the Examiner's Office Action mailed February 14, 2002 in which a three-month period for response was set to expire on May 14, 2002.

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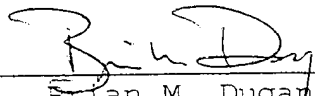
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After granting the request for a one-month extension of time, the response period will expire on June 14, 2002. Please charge the one-month extension fee of \$110.00 to Deposit Account No. 04-1696.

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